BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMMISSION'S)	
REVIEW OF PURPA QF CONTRACT)	CASE NO. GNR-E-11-03
PROVISIONS INCLUDING THE)	
SURROGATE AVOIDED RESOURCE (SAR))	NOTICE OF
AND INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLANNING)	TECHNICAL HEARING
(IRP) METHODOLOGIES FOR)	
CALCULATING PUBLISHED AVOIDED)	ORDER NO. 32598
COST RATES.)	

On September 1, 2011, the Commission initiated this proceeding to review the terms of PURPA power purchase agreements including the surrogate avoided resource (SAR) and Integrated Resource Planning (IRP) methodologies for calculating avoided cost rates. The scope of the Commission's inquiry also includes (but is not limited to) considerations regarding the dispatchability of varying resources, curtailment options, integration costs, renewable energy credits, delay security and liquidated damages, timing and schedule of negotiations, and contract milestones. Order No. 32352. On November 2, 2011, a Notice of Scheduling was issued. Order No. 32388. Pursuant to the Scheduling Order, parties have prefiled direct testimony and rebuttal testimony and legal briefs are due to be filed no later than July 20, 2012.

NOTICE OF TECHNICAL HEARING

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Commission will conduct a **technical hearing** in this matter, to begin on <u>TUESDAY</u>, <u>AUGUST 7, 2012</u>, <u>COMMENCING AT 9:00</u> <u>A.M. IN THE COMMISSION HEARING ROOM</u>, <u>472 WEST WASHINGTON</u>, <u>BOISE</u>, <u>IDAHO</u>.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all hearings in this matter will be held in facilities meeting the accessibility requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Persons needing the help of a sign language interpreter or other assistance in order to participate in or to understand testimony and argument at a public hearing may ask the Commission to provide a sign language interpreter or other assistance at the hearing. The request for assistance must be received at least five (5) working days before the hearing by contacting the Commission Secretary at:

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YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all testimony and exhibits in Case No. GNR-

E-11-03 must comport with the requirements of Rule 231 and 267 of the Commission's Rules of

Procedure. IDAPA 31.01.01.231 and 267.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the record in this matter is available for

public inspection during regular business hours at the Commission offices. The record is also

available on the Commission's web site at www.puc.idaho.gov by clicking on "File Room" and

then "Electric Cases."

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this case will be held

pursuant to the Commission's jurisdiction under Title 61 of the Idaho Code and the Public Utility

Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 (PURPA). The Commission has authority under PURPA and

the implementing regulations of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) to set

avoided costs, to order electric utilities to enter into fixed-term obligations for the purchase of

energy from qualified facilities and to implement FERC rules. The Commission may enter any

final Order consistent with its authority under Title 61 and PURPA.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this matter will be

conducted pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.000, et seq.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that a technical hearing shall commence in this matter

on Tuesday, August 7, 2012, at 9:00 a.m. in the Commission Hearing Room.

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DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 20** day of July 2012.

PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT

MACK A. REDFORD, COMMISSIONER

MARSHA H. SMITH, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

Jean D. Jewell

Commission Secretary

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